

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY APRIL 4, 2012

CALL TO ORDER: By Tom Yaschen at 7:06pm

ROLL CALL: Tom Yaschen, Marilyn Sypolt, Sue Grimaudo, Michele Stearns, Richard Piekarski,
Absent - Michele Ficht and Marlene Krul (leave of absence until Sept.)

Guest/Visitors - John & Marlene Herzog

Motion to Approve Agenda: by Tom, approved by Marilyn and seconded by Sue (with the exception of OB-E) and NB-C) change in position.

Motion to Approve Minutes from 3/7/12: by Tom, approved by Michele S. and seconded by Sue

Old Business:

A. Beautification Week 2012 - all a go - Amanda has printed all flyers for Marilyn and helpers to put in packets.

B. Beautification Week Trees - Sue has ordered 100 Colorado Blue Spruce @ \$ 45.00, 20 Yellow Birch, 15 White Birch, 15 River Birch @ \$75.00 totaling tax-s/h \$131.20. Pick up day is 4/27/12, Friday between 9am-2pm at the Huron Point Gun Club on 28 Mile.

C. Adopt-a-Spot Flyers - Cannot be changed in color at this time because of 2 sided/3 fold brochure. Better if it were a 1 sheet flyer. Something to work on in the future. Also, Rich will arrange to have all Groups/Persons/Family's that have at this time Adopted-a-Spot sent a Letter of Thanks and a reminder of Having and Caring for their Adopted Spot . Also, name of memorial at Brandenburg Park by dock is the Carl Brandenburg Jr. by Frank & Ann Ruzzin 1976 and under that is Henry & Bertha Pollard 1979.

D. Arbor Day Proclamation - Approved on 4/2/12 at Township Board meeting, annual day is April 27 each year Arbor Day is a celebration of supporting efforts to replenish and protect our trees and woodlands.

E. BCSEM report from meeting on 3/15/12 - was very nice, informative about hummingbirds and lots of ideas for our meeting we will be hosting. The next BCSEM meeting will be held at the E. Ford house on June 14, 2012, see website for more details. GPPBC will be holding a Perennial Plant exchange on May 19 and a Herb plant sale on May 12. (see website for more details)

F. Membership - Michele S. has suggested putting a Craig's List account out for new members. Tom will arrange for the Macomb Daily, Free Press and Sunday news to have ads as well.

New Business:

A. Junior Master Gardner Program - Rich has talked with Dana and her YMCA, JMG class starts 4/18/12, so at this time we will keep looking into arrangements and information about starting a program for JMG in Chesterfield.

B. Tree City USA Application - Tom wants to apply to be recognized for the work completed by the community of four different standards of achievement set forth by the National Arbor Day Foundation.

C. BCSEM Meeting for March 21, 2013 - Michele S. has volunteered to lead/chair the hosting of the BCSEM Chesterfield meeting, Tom will e-mail the guideline form to Michele as soon as he receives it. Michele will be contacted and assign members to different tasks of organization. At this time ideas of a venue are in question. More details to come.

D. Beautification Week Flower Planting - Planting is on 5/17 during the tree hand-out day, quotes on pricing for purchasing the flowers are in debate at this time. In the past, flowers are purchased from Croswell Greenhouse Wholesale. The committee would like to use a vendor local to Chesterfield. Therefore, at this time, quotes are being gathered from Croswell Greenhouse - VanThommes - Anchor Bay Band Booster Flower sale. Also, committee determining what plants to order at the cheapest price.

E. Badges - All Beautification Committee members are arranging to receive ID badges to identify themselves when out in the public giving out flyer and asking for donations. The Chesterfield Police is taking the pictures and providing the badges for the committee. At this time Sue, Michele S. and Marilyn have received their badges.

Special: Meeting Procedures & Participation - Tom has requested to us that everyone slow it down a bit, one person talking at a time, and everyone listening until that person has completed their comments. Then questions can be asked one person at a time. This will help for all members to be heard and all members to understand any comments being made.

Comments from Committee: Sue has asked Rich if the Volunteer form can be sent to all members of the committee.

Michele S. has a certificate of \$25.00 from Viviano's Florist to donate as a prize for ongoing contests of the committee.

Next Meeting May 2, 2012

Meeting Adjourned at 8:14pm - Motion by Tom, approved by Sue and seconded by Michele S.

Minutes by Sue Grimaudo
4/16/12 @ 1pm